

Remarks

After reconsidering the application prior to receipt of the first Office Action, the principals noted an obvious error in Figure 2 which is described at paragraph **[0022]** as follows:

[0022] In figure 2, it can be seen that the seal surface is inclined at angle α (alpha) which is greater than the foil tangent angle β (beta). This eliminates the peel component and maximises bond failure pressure.

In original Figure 2 the angle α (alpha) is obviously less than the angle β (beta). In the Replacement Sheet the angles of Figure 2 have been changed to correspond to the description at paragraph **[0022]** and new Figure 2 correctly reflects angle α (alpha) being greater than angle β (beta).

The changes in Figure 2 do not involve new matter and simply correspond the angles in Figure 2 to the description in paragraph **[0022]**.

The claims are resubmitted as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed on December 22, 2005.

In view of the foregoing, entry of the drawing Replacement Sheet is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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Drawings: Replacement/Annotated Sheets



Annotated Sheet

Fig. 1.

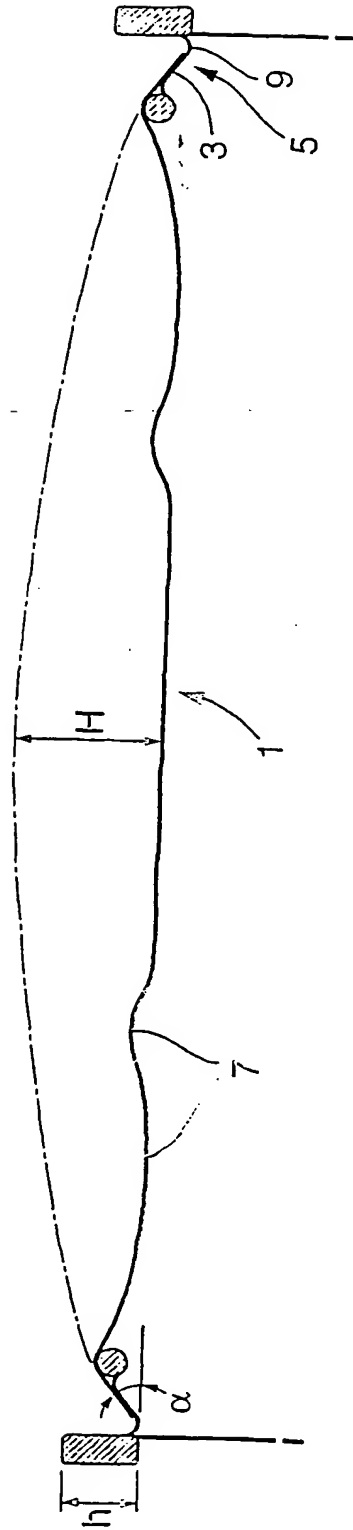


Fig. 2.

